

## FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

9.30pm Mass: Baptism of Oscar Hodder  
(Penitential Act & Creed omitted at Baptismal Mass)

### First Reading: Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7

Near the end of a desperate period of exile, God calls the Jews to be his servant and gives them an unexpected mission.

### Psalm (28) Response

**The Lord will bless his people with peace**

### Second Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10: 34-38

*In separate visions, God has called Peter the Jewish Christian apostle and Cornelius the pagan centurion to meet each other. It's an unlikely pairing and it breaks old precedents.*

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded:  
"This is my Son the Beloved. Listen to him."

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### Gospel: Matthew 3: 13-17

Last Sunday we heard Matthew's account of the epiphany of the infant Jesus before pagans. This gospel is Matthew's account of the epiphany of the adult Jesus before John the Baptist and other devout Jews.

### Please remember in your prayers

**The Sick:** Julia Wright, Pauline Feeney, John Hunt, Mark Leather, Margaret Brown, Lindsay Price and Christopher and all in our hospitals and nursing homes and those who care for them.

#### The Unity of Christians

**Pope Francis January Prayer Intention:** that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

**Diocesan Prayer Link:** St Nicholas of Tolentino, Easton, St Joseph, Fishponds, St Patrick, Redfield. Bristol.

**Christians in Corsham Prayer Link:** Anglican / Octave Christian Unity

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### The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Sunday Readings: Year A  
Weekday Readings: Year 2

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10.30am

Vigil Mass (Sat) 5.30pm

Sunday Mass 9.30am

The People of the Parish

Monday 13 January	No Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday 14 January	6.00pm Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday 15 January	2.00pm Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time <i>With a special welcome to the more senior members of our congregation</i>
Thursday 16 January	12.00pm Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Friday 17 January	12.00pm Mass	Saint Anthony, Abbot
Saturday 18 January	10.00am	Weekday in Ordinary Time <i>(No Confessions this morning - Readers meeting)</i> <i>The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins today</i> <b>THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 5.30pm Sung Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sunday 19 January	9.30am Sung Mass	<i>followed by refreshments in the Hall</i>

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Liturgical Ministries in the Parish** We are planning a series of ongoing formation sessions for Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Welcome Ministers. If you would be interested in becoming a liturgical minister please have a word with Fr Michael. The first session will be a gathering of our **Ministers of the Word/ Readers on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January 10.30am - 12.30pm** beginning in the hall. Existing readers and new readers are warmly invited to come along. If you cannot make this date do chat to Fr Michael and we will arrange a second session.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** begins on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January and concludes on 25<sup>th</sup> Jan with the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul. We rejoice in the unity we already share by virtue of our common baptism and we pray that all may eventually be one at the Eucharistic table of the Lord in communion with the successor of St Peter. For this reason, St. Peter is considered the special Patron of the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity. A votive Mass 'for the unity of Christians' will be offered on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 10am and we will remember all our Christian brothers and sisters throughout the week from the Orthodox Church and from the Protestant, Reformed and Anglican Communities.

**Hidden Voices Bristol - Tackling Modern Slavery Together** How can our communities work together to ensure that slavery practices don't take root in our area? "Hidden Voices" is an ecumenical and community process which aims to inform and support local communities in taking action on Modern Slavery within their own communities. "Hidden Voices" will help inform us about how to spot and challenge modern slavery and then join with others in Bristol in tackling the issue. Our aim is that our communities should be equipped in understanding, detecting, and preventing slavery and trafficking, whilst also enabling those affected. The process takes place over three sessions. Please come even if you cannot manage all three sessions 10.00-12.30. 11<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020 & then 25<sup>th</sup> Jan & 8<sup>th</sup> Feb @ St Nicholas of Tolentino Church, Lawfords Gate, Bristol BS5 0RE Parking is available in Church Car Park on Pennywell Road. To book or for more info email: hvbristol@gmail.com

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## NEWS THIS WEEK

**Congratulations to Oscar Hodder** who is to be baptised at the 9.30am Mass this weekend.

**Gift Aid Envelopes** Boxed sets for planned giving are available for collection in Church. If you would like to begin to use envelopes just let us know!

**Zambian Mission Fund** Many thanks to all who remembered Sr Stella and her work in Mongu. Donations came to £960. Please see her letter in the Lady Chapel. Maeve H.

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am** All parish flower arrangers are invited to a meeting in the Church Hall. Please come with any questions you have about rotas and florist supplies, etc. Refreshments will be available. We hope to finish by mid-day.

**Gift Aid** Maximise your weekly Offering by getting the Government to pay an extra 25% at no cost to you, by joining **GIFT AID**. This can be done in two ways – Firstly, by Bank Standing Order monthly or secondly, using the envelope scheme, whereby, you place your weekly offering on the collection plate. Either way is very beneficial to the Parish, especially when every penny counts! Please contact Vic Steadman via the Parish web site for details. Thank you.

**Traidcraft** Takings last weekend £60. Thank you to those who helped and those who bought. Would those who enter and leave via the A4 door please consider taking a look at the stall? Items for the food bank are gratefully received. Anne K.

**Music Group** meets each Wednesday at 6.15pm in Church. All singers / musicians most welcome. If you would like to sing with them, do come along!

*Please continue to remember Corsham Foodbank and Borderlands.*

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